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~~READ---the-following:-~~

ORDER:

The Provincial Harijan Welfare Committee has urged that the primary responsibility for providing suitable living accommodation for Harijans in urban areas should be placed on their employers and has recommended that the local bodies and other large empoyers of industrial labour in urban areas should be compelled to put up houses for their Harijan workers. The Committee has suggested that the Government should help the quasi-Government bodies with loans at.cheap rates of interest, if necessary.

2. The Government have considered carefully the above recommendation and pass the following orders:

(i) In view of the unsatisfactory financial position of most of the local bodies, it is not considered desirable to compel them to provide houses for their labourers. The recommendation of the Committee in this regard is therefore not accepted. The Government would, however, be prepared to consider on merits applications for loans or subsidies, from local bodies undertaking by themselves to construct houses for their labourers, subject to availability of funds.

(ii) The question of providing housing accommodation to industrial labourers is receiving the attention of the Government separately in connection with the housing scheme adumbrated by the Government of India.

(By order of His Excellency the Governor)

M.S. JAGANNAYAKULU
Secretary to Government.

To the Director of Harijan Welfare.
To the Secretary, Provincial Harijan Welfare Committee.
To the Local Administration Department.
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